

## **Spartan Campuses are ranked in Top 10 for Upward Mobility**

Los Angeles, California (January 24, 2017) — Spartan College of Aeronautics and Technology's LA Campus – known as Crimson Technical College at time study was conducted – was recognized as number 7 out of 2,137 schools in the nation for delivering the highest upward mobility. This ranking was based on moving students from the bottom 40% of income to the top 40% of income by the time they are 34 years old. The study was conducted by The Equality of Opportunity Project and was titled the “Mobility Report Cards: The Role of Colleges in Intergenerational Mobility.” The New York Times published an article referencing this study on January 18, 2017.

“Spartan’s primary student audience has a higher percentage of students who come from the lower income brackets. Our number one goal has always been to provide quality training directly linked to careers that will enable improved income, lifestyle and career opportunities for our graduates,” said Peter H. Harris, CEO of Spartan Education Group. “This study confirms what we have always known. In fact, it is similar to the Brookings Institute study from 2015 that placed our Tulsa Campus as ninth in the nation from programs that are two years or less based on occupational earning power by the time the students reach their mid-career years.”

In addition to the LA Campus location ranking nationally among all of the schools in the study, both the LA and Tulsa campuses of Spartan College of Aeronautics and Technology are in the top 10 in a number of metrics based on comparisons to their specific segments of schools. For instance, the Tulsa Campus of Spartan is second for moving up from the bottom 20% of income to the top 20% out of the 76 four-year for-profit schools in the study. The LA Campus is third in this same metric but among the 66 two-year for-profit schools.

Spartan’s Los Angeles and Tulsa Campuses have some differences in their program offerings and resulting student populations which explains why they were measured against different groups of schools and have varied results. The primary difference is the Tulsa campus offers a Bachelor of Science degree. Even though this program makes up only about 5% of total school population, it put them in the four-year school bracket of schools. In addition, the Tulsa Campus offers flight training programs which serve a different demographic of students.

“We are proud to have this independent third party validation of the ongoing success rate of our students after they leave Spartan and continue in their careers,” said Harris. “We work closely with companies that hire our graduates ranging from aerospace companies such as SpaceX, Boeing and Lockheed Martin, to airlines such as Delta Airlines, American Airlines and many others. Because our graduates have skills that are sought after in many industries, it continues to keep them on the forefront of employment trends and career potential.”

# Spartan Ranks in Top 10



\* Study references the Los Angeles Campus as Crimson Technical College based on the data set used and the official name of the school at that time.  
† Published Jan. 18, 2017 New York Times - <https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/projects/college-mobility/spartan-college-of-aeronautics-and-technology>  
Source "Mobility Report Cards: The Role of Colleges in Intergenerational Mobility" by Chetty, Friedman, Saez, Turner, and Yagan (2017)  
‡ Published 2015 Brookings Institute of Occupational Earnings - [https://www.brookings.edu/wp-content/uploads/2015/04/BMPP\\_CollegeValueAdded.pdf](https://www.brookings.edu/wp-content/uploads/2015/04/BMPP_CollegeValueAdded.pdf)



Detailed LA Campus Results (known as Crimson Technical College at the time of the study) here:  
<https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/projects/college-mobility/crimson-technical-college>

Detailed Tulsa Campus results here: <https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/projects/college-mobility/spartan-college-of-aeronautics-and-technology>

2015 Brookings Institute study results:  
[http://www.brookings.edu/~media/research/files/reports/2015/04/29-college-value-add/bmpp\\_collegevalueadded.pdf](http://www.brookings.edu/~media/research/files/reports/2015/04/29-college-value-add/bmpp_collegevalueadded.pdf)